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Transaction Types between Agents
In a Computer System using Multiple
Message Groups

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicant files this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Preliminary Amendment in response to the Examiner's Final Office Action of March 30, 2004. Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.